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FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

TAMEIRA JANELL SMITH

NO.

3-15 CR-453-M

FILED UNDER SEAL

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury Charges:

Counts One through Three
Harassing Telephone Calls
(Violation of 47 U.S.C. § 223(a)(1)(C))

1. From approximately May 7, 2015 and continuing to on or about October 1, 2015, the defendant, Tameira Janell Smith ('Smith'), made a series of at least fifteen contacts with university and municipal police departments, falsely reporting emergencies in which she was a purported victim or purportedly injured. Many times, Smith was neither injured nor was she even in the area she reported to the dispatcher handling the communication for the police departments. In some of the later instances, Smith staged a scene, called the police, and waited for the emergency personnel to arrive.
2. Throughout this scheme, Smith utilized a telecommunications device, as defined in 47 U.S.C. §223(h)(1), including any device or software that can be used to originate telecommunications or other types of communications that are transmitted, in whole or in part, by the Internet. Specifically, Smith utilized voice over Internet protocol ("VOIP") technology through software published by Text Plus. Smith caused the software to

transmit originating phone numbers that were not her own, thereby concealing her true identity and location.

3. Smith contacted police departments throughout the United States and also in Canada. Smith would either not give her name or provide a false name when making contact with the police. Upon receiving the calls, the police departments responded as if a true emergency existed by deploying emergency personnel and vehicles, including police cruisers, fire trucks, and ambulances.

4. On or about the dates indicated below, for each count below, within the Northern District of Texas and elsewhere, Smith, in interstate and foreign communications, utilized a telecommunications device without disclosing her identity and with intent to abuse, threaten, and harass any person at the called number. A description of each call constituting a separate count of this Indictment is listed below.

Count	Date	Description of Call
1	May 15, 2015	Smith communicated with the University of Oregon Police Department in Eugene, Oregon. T.M. received the call.
2	May 17, 2015	Smith communicated with University of Louisville Police in Louisville, Kentucky. C.P. received the call.
3	May 20, 2015	Smith communicated with University of Toronto Police Service (UTPS) in Ontario, Canada. R.V. received the call.

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All in violation of 47 U.S.C. § 223(a)(1)(C).

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3 Counts

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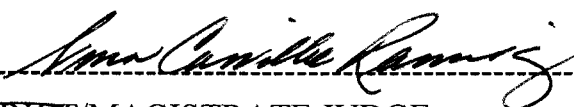
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Filed in open court this 7th day of October, 2015

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WARRANT TO ISSUE


UNITED STATES ~~DISTRICT~~ MAGISTRATE JUDGE

No Magistrate Case Pending